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Mountaindale Center Survey District
Mountaindale
Private

Ca. 1870-ca. 1935

The Mountaindale Center Survey District encompasses about 2.5 acres and three buildings with a fourth outbuilding centered on the intersection of Mountaindale Road and Powell Road, which is the loosely defined center of the village of Mountaindale. The buildings include a 1913 frame church, a two-section frame store and residence building built about 1870 and enlarged in the early 1890's, a circa 1935 frame and brick bungalow, and its frame garage, which was used as part of the village school until about 1930. The district represents by the vernacular architecture of the store building and the standardized bungalow design the transition of the village from a 19th century crossroads settlement to the early 20th century with more outside contact. The church is typical of many early 20th century rural and village churches of the first quarter of the 20th century. The crossroads settlement pattern is loosely visible here, with the major elements of church, school, store, and residence all present, in spite of modern non-contributing surrounding development filling in the formerly scattered development of Mountaindale in the late 19th century.

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Frederick County

HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Piedmont

(Harford, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Howard, Montgomery
Counties, and Baltimore City)

Chronological/Development Period:

Agricultural-Industrial Transition, A.D. 1815-1870

Industrial/Urban Dominance, A.D. 1870-1930

Modern Period, A.D. 1930-Present

Prehistoric/Historic Period Themes

Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community Planning
Economic (Commercial)

Resource Types:

Category: District

Historic Environment: Village

Historic Function and Use:

Domestic/single dwelling/residence

Commerce/Trade/departement store/general store

Religion/Religious facility/church

Known Design Source: None

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State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Magi No.

DOE yes x no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Mountaindale Center Survey District

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 6712-6805 Mountaindale Road not for publicationcity, town Mountaindale vicinity of congressional district 6thstate Maryland county Frederick

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<u> x </u> district	<u> </u> public	<u> x </u> occupied	<u> </u> agriculture	<u> </u> museum
<u> </u> building(s)	<u> x </u> private	<u> </u> unoccupied	<u> x </u> commercial	<u> </u> park
<u> </u> structure	<u> </u> both	<u> </u> work in progress	<u> </u> educational	<u> x </u> private residence
<u> </u> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<u> </u> entertainment	<u> </u> religious
<u> </u> object	<u> </u> in process	<u> </u> yes: restricted	<u> </u> government	<u> </u> scientific
	<u> </u> being considered	<u> x </u> yes: unrestricted	<u> </u> industrial	<u> </u> transportation
	<u> x </u> not applicable	<u> </u> no	<u> </u> military	<u> </u> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name See Section 7

street & number telephone no.:city, town state and zip code

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Frederick County Courthouse liberstreet & number 100 W. Patrick Street foliocity, town Frederick state MD 21701

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title date federal state county localdepository for survey records city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. F-3-84

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

CONTRIBUTING RESOURCE COUNT: 4

The Mountaindale Center Survey District is a small village center grouping consisting of a frame store/residence combination built originally about 1870 and expanded in the 1890's, the Mountaindale Union Chapel, built in 1913, a frame and brick circa 1935 bungalow, and its frame garage, which was originally used as a school in the early 20th century prior to about 1930. The district is located at the intersection of Mountaindale Road and Powell Road, the functional center of the village of Mountaindale, Frederick County, Maryland. The surrounding village buildings not included in the survey district are mostly post-1945 in date and are scattered at irregular intervals along both sides of the two roads to the east, west, and north of the intersection, with a modern development located off Mountaindale Road in a cul-de-sac to the south. (An additional survey district of residences along Mountaindale Road to the west of the Mountaindale Center Survey District, between Bethel Road and Putman Road, is under study at this writing. This district would be called Mountaindale Road Survey District.) The character of the village is linear, with frequent open fields, wooded sections, or large side yards which break up the continuity of the small groups of continuous dwellings on both sides of Mountaindale Road. The contributing buildings are located mainly on the south side of Mountaindale Road and the store/residence is located at the northwest corner of Mountaindale and Powell Roads. A large open field separates the store/residence from the properties on the north and west. A concrete block commercial garage is located west of the store on the same property, but is not included within the survey district boundary. The buildings are occupied and in use as built, with a modern convenience store occupying the first story of the store/residence building and apartments on the upper story. The condition of the buildings is good.

Following are brief descriptions of the buildings in the survey district and the names and addresses of the owners:

Charles Rice Store and Residence (Mountaindale Convenience Store), 6726 Mountaindale Rd.: The building is in two sections forming a rough L-plan with a corner tower containing the entrance. The two-story section facing Mountaindale Road is probably the earliest section and may contain log structure. It was probably built by David Warner about 1870, according to land records and architectural details. The exterior is covered with german siding and there were probably originally three bays or four bays on the first story and three on the second. The first story has been altered over the years as the size of the store established by Charles Rice in the building in the 1890's changed. The second story windows are 2/2. A one-story porch extends across the south elevation, around the corner tower and entrance, and across the east elevation of the second section of the building. The porch columns are turned and the roof is standing seam metal. Interior end chimneys rise above the pressed metal roof. The second section of the building extends northward from the polygonal corner turret with a conical roof and has four bays. This section was possibly added after an early 1890's fire destroyed part of the original building. According to Mrs. Alice Fisher, a local resident, the living quarters in the first

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8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates C. 1870 - C. 1935 **Builder/Architect**

check: Applicable Criteria: ☒ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

The Mountaindale Center Survey District is a fair example of a small crossroads community of the last quarter of the 19th century and the first quarter of the 20th century. The main elements which define a town, a commercial enterprise, residences, a church, and a school, are all present in some form in the district, although only four buildings are included. The Charles Rice Store was built about 1870 as a residence, probably by David Warner. In the early 1890's, the building was purchased by Charles Rice from his mother and, after a fire which partially destroyed the structure, a store room was built on the rear of the original residence. The architecture of the building reflects the period, with a corner turret giving a varied roofline and pressed metal details on both the exterior and the interior. In 1930, Rice purchased the school buildings after the school was consolidated with Lewistown and erected the bungalow on the site. The style of the bungalow also shows the current architectural interests of the period, with Arts and Crafts details such as the bracketed eaves and the general design and scale of the house. The Union Chapel of 1913 brought together the German Reformed and German Baptist congregations of the area. Its design is typical of many small rural and village churches of the period. The village has remained a small, loosely organized group of residences, in spite of modern infill of the open areas between the older houses and a modern housing development off Mountaindale Road. The survey district represents the section of the village with the most defined center of commercial, social, and religious activity during the historic period.

Mountaindale Center Survey District is one of several small villages in the Lewistown and Frederick Election Districts of the Frederick Planning Region which have similarities in scale, architecture, and historic use. Bethel, Charlesville, and Hansonville in the Frederick Election District share with Mountaindale a crossroads location, with a church, store, or school sited on a prominent corner. Nearby are farmsteads and a few small individual residences along the roads leading into the crossroads. In several such communities in the Middletown Valley and elsewhere, the crossroads communities were an interim phenomenon between the isolation of farming and the business centers of the larger towns and Frederick City. The store or shop provided a vital service and often a mail stop, although Mountaindale apparently never had a post office, and the church or school was a community center and meeting place. Most of these communities were off the main market and turnpike routes and remained small entities, with vernacular buildings showing their long-standing traditional techniques and values. With the better

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9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. F-3-84

Fisher, Mrs. Alice, telephone interview, Sept. 22, 1992
Land Records of Frederick County
Titus, C.O. Atlas of Frederick County, 1873

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 2.5 acresQuadrangle name Catoctin Furnace, Md.Quadrangle scale 1:24000UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Verbal boundary description and justification

Approximately 2.5 acres as shown on the attached quad map section. See Site Plan.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared By

name/title Janet L. Davis, Historic Sites Surveyororganization Frederick County Planning & Zoning Dept. date September 1992street & number 12 E. Church Street telephone 696-2958city or town Frederick state MD 21701

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

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7.1 Description (Continued)

section facing Mountaindale were spared by the fire and the other section was rebuilt afterwards. The inner angle of the two sections facing northwest is now occupied by various additions to the structure and contain apartments. Some of these additions are concrete block. Additional concrete block storage sections have been added to the north end of the second section. The interior of the store has been greatly altered with expansions into the first section, but the late 1890's store room is clearly defined in the second section by the pressed metal ceiling with a dropped border and cornice. One or two sections of wood shelving still are in place along the east wall and the wood floor appears to be of the 1890's.

Charles Rice House, 6805 Mountaindale Road: The 1-1/2 story frame bungalow was built by Charles Rice about 1935, the date estimated by land records and architectural style. It has brick veneer and a standing seam gable roof with a one-story porch on the north elevation under a large dormer with a group of three 3/1 windows. The dormer has weatherboard siding. The eaves of the roof have brackets and the main elevation has three bays with paired 3/1 windows. Two interior end chimneys rise at each gable end. The frame garage of the house was identified by Mrs. Alice Fisher as one of two buildings of the Mountaindale school which was located on the site from about 1881. The school closed in 1930 and Charles Rice purchased the property, demolishing one of the school buildings to build the bungalow.

Mountaindale Union Chapel, south side of Mountaindale Road: The frame church is a one-story structure with german siding and a projecting bell tower with the main entrance on the north elevation. A marble date stone at the northwest corner gives the date of construction as 1913, confirmed by land records. The double main entrance doors are five panels each under a Gothic arch transom. The windows flanking the bell tower are also Gothic arched, with colored Queen Anne sash. Above the doorway is a pent roof and a small diamond-shaped window. The belfry is open, with a scroll-sawn balustrade and a pyramidal hipped roof of pressed metal. The main roof is also pressed metal with bracketed eaves. The east and west elevations have flat-arched Queen Anne style windows. At the south elevation of the church is a one-story addition with a concrete block foundation and pressboard siding. The scored concrete foundation of the main church probably covers a stone base.

Owners:

Robert H. Fiala and Nicole L. Sheaffer, 6805 Mountaindale Road, Frederick, MD 21701

Trustees of Mountaindale Union Chapel, Rt. 1, Thurmont, MD 21788

Edward D. Scott and Reese W. Warner, Jr., P. O. Box 685, Frederick, MD 21702
(Mountaindale Convenience Store)

8.1 Significance (Continued)

transportation and machined materials of the 20th century, however, architectural styles such as the bungalow were more easily produced in small towns. Mountaindale Center shows this transition from 19th century crossroads to the early 20th century community in the Rice Store and Rice Bungalow.

LIBER/F 0	GRANTEE	GRANTOR	S.D. ORIGINAL TRACTS	COST	DATE
6805 15 13/203 29 Aug 88	Mountaindale Rd. Robert M. Giala & Nicole L. Sheaffer	M. Dale Etr. Elizabeth L. Gladhill widow of Luther O. Gladhill, dec. 9 Jan 85		\$97,500	
855/561 24 Aug 71	Luther O. & Eliza L. Gladhill	Mary M. Stull et al (Mary is pers rep of estate of Ida M. Rice, dec.)	2 parcels 1: 1/2 A. 401/267 2 June 30 2: Adj. to P.1 421/364 4 Jan 36	\$21,500	
P. 2: 421/364 4 Jan 36	Charles A. Rice & Ida M. Rice	Trustees of Union Chapel of Mountaindale	100' x 47' trustees retain right to dig up & repair cellardium which passes from church through property)		
P. 1: 401/267 12 Jun 30	Charles A. Rice et ux	Board of Ed. of Fred. Co.	real estate has heretofore, which improve- ments thereon, been used as public school 1/2 A.		
P. 1: AF 3/616 19 Jul 1881	Board of Co. School Commissioners	John T. Geesey, et al trustees for public school purposes	1/2 A.		
P. 1: AF 3/616 1 Apr 1880	John T. Geesey et al trustees for public school purposes	J. D. Jackson Zimmerman & Mary M. Zimmerman	1/2 A. to be used for no other purpose than that which the trustees shall direct which may include religious worship and Sabbath School		

Mountaineer Btr. S.D.		P.2	ORIGINAL TRACTS	COST	DATE
LIBER/F	GRANTEE	GRANTOR			
718/716 HWB 302/15 12 Oct 12	Union Chapel of Mountain Dale	Granville L. & Florence V. Wachtler	part of farm owned by Granville Wachtler 100' x 100' x 147' x 100 ±'		
6726	Mountaineer Rd. (Convenience Store)		Powell Rd. formerly known as Bonair Rd. 1.910A.	\$112,000	
144 8/265 30 Sept 87	Edward D. Scott & Reese W. Warner, Jr.	Howard R. Stipley, Jr. sub. trustee in Equity 3375 E. Walter & Patricia Series.			
1229/809 6 Mar 84	Walter E. & Patricia Series	Philip G. & Sandra L. Hiteshew	1.910A.		
1192/867 11 Mar 83	Philip G. Hiteshew et ux	James L. & Barbara V. Harrison	1.910A.		
1040/59 9 Jan 78	James L. & Barbara V. Harrison	Robert L. & Sherry A. Dowens	1.910A.		
975/192 1 Dec 75	Robert L. Dowens et ux	Harold C. & Helen V. Hargett	1.910A.		
879/410 28 Apr 72	Harold C. Hargett et ux	Luther O. & Elizabeth L. Gladhill, Jr.	1.910A.		

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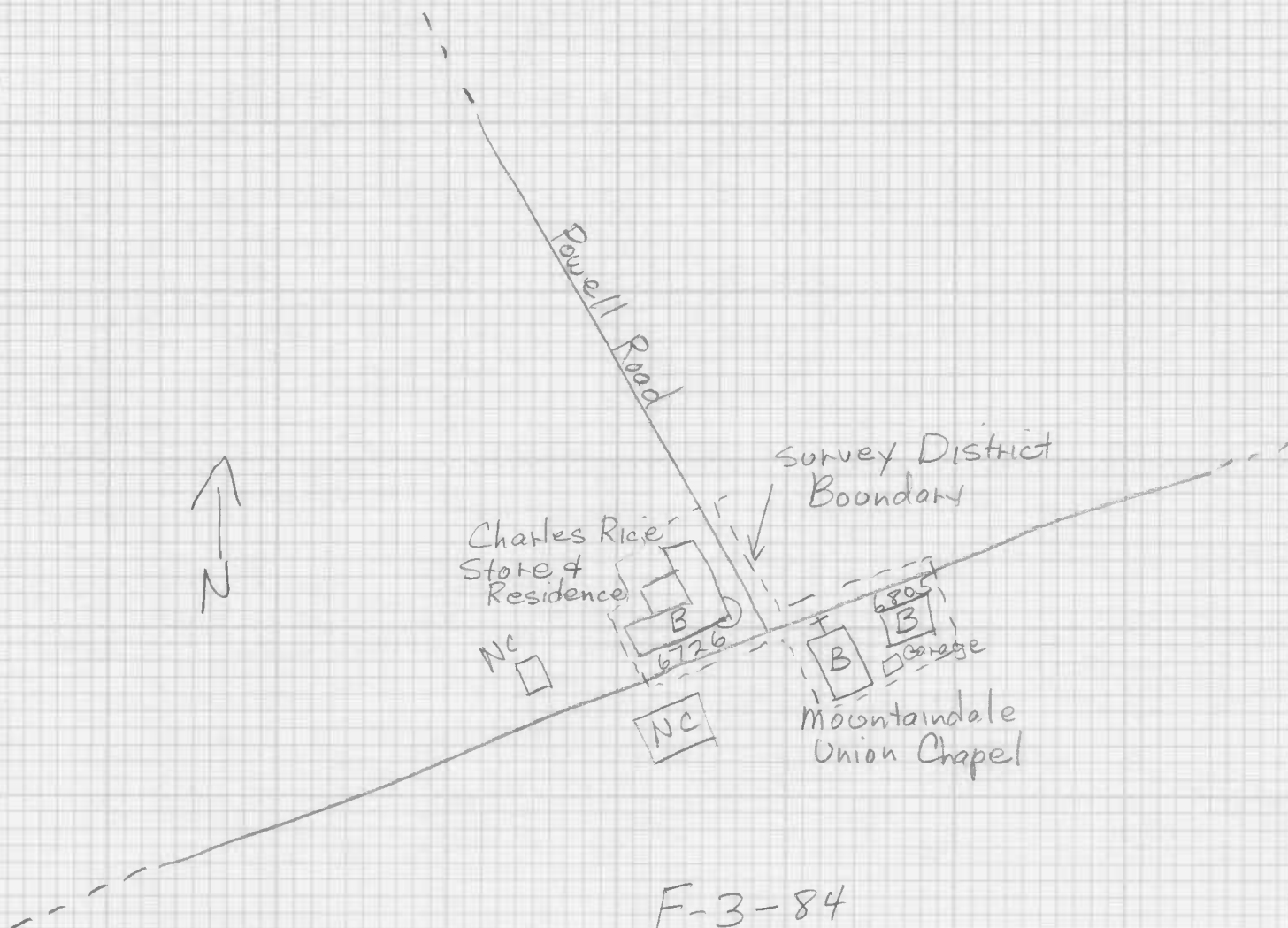
Mountaindale Ctr. S.D. LIBER/F O	GRANTEE	P. 3 GRANTOR	ORIGINAL TRACTS	COST	DATE
6726 Mountaindale Rd. (cont.)					
749/627 13 Jul 66	Luther O. & Elly- L. Gladhill	Luther Gladhill Jr & Joan O. Gladhill	1.910 A. Plat attached to deed		
657/435 8 Sept 61	Luther Gladhill, Jr.	Ray M. & Dorothy R. Gladhill	1 3/4 A. (Ritchie 1/2 interest convey to Ray Gladhill in intervening deed not listed)		
621/38; 15 Jun 59	Ray M. & Dorothy R. Gladhill	Herman M. & Naomi S. Main	1 3/4 A. 1/2 interest also conveyed to Jackie & Dolly Ritchie		
533/247 6 Jul 54	Herman M. Main et ux	Grayson R. Cline & Mildred L. Cline			
496/533 1 Nov 51	Grayson R. Cline et ux	Ralph J. & Ida M. Cline			
457/315 18 Oct 46	Ralph J. Cline et ux	Charles A. & Ida M. Rice	4.02 A.		
JLS 19/680 10 Dec 1892	Charles A. Rice	Rosanna Rice, widow	6 A. with improvements	\$550	

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LIBER/F O	GRANTEE	GRANTOR	ORIGINAL TRACTS	COST	DATE
6726	Mountandale Rd. (cont.)				
AF 4/206 20 Sept 1881	Rosanna Rice	Lavinia J. Powell & husband Albert L. Powell	6 a.	\$500	
AF 4/206 1 Apr 1875	Lavinia J. Powell	Elizabeth Warner & husband David Warner	6 a.	\$200	
CM 1/211; 22 Jan 1867	Elizabeth Warner	Melton D. Ramsburg & wife Eliza	6 a.	\$300	
115 19 Nov 1867 (deed ref not located)	Melton D. Ramsburg	Grayson Eichelberger			
6727	Mountandale Rd.				
1274/790 19 Mar 85	George Randy Turner	Raymond T. Powell, Pers. Rep. of estate of Ellen L. Powell	2 parcels .328 a. & .115 a.		
512/135 15 Aug 47	Leithen K. & Ellen L. Powell	Henry C. E. Krantz of Wm. H. & Cordelia Krantz	100' x 143' incl. land & premises		
512/137 8 Feb 52	"	"	100' x 50' .115 a.		
390/284 5 Mar 44	Henry C. E. Krantz of Wm. H. & wife	Victor J. Gladhill	3 tracts 1. 7 a. 2. 15 1/2 a. 3. 5 1/16 a.		

Mountaindale Ctr. S.D. P. 5			ORIGINAL TRACTS	COST	DATE
LIBER/F	GRANTEE	GRANTOR			
6727	Mountaindale Rd. (cont.)				
352/522 27 Apr 25	Victor J. Gladhill	Real Estate, Mortgage & Investment Co. of Ind. Co.			
352/345 1 Apr 25	Real Estate, Mort & Investment Co.	Victor J. Gladhill			
352/343 1 Apr 25	Victor J. Gladhill	Reno S. Haup, assignee		\$2800	
6712	Mountaindale Rd.				
1718/874 28 Jun 91	Mark A. Knott & Kimberly S. Riehart	Aubrey J. & Dorothy L. Snoots	284' x 511' x 51' x 500' 2 A. 6712 Midale Rd.	\$99,500	
460/273 13 Jan 47	Dorothy L. & Aubrey J. Snoots	Charles A. & Ida M. Rice	2 A.		
SLJ 14/680 10 Dec 1892	Charles A. & Ida M. Rice	Rosanna Rice, widow			
Calvin W. Mueller 663-3917 Margaret Slup 845-6610 lived at Bloomfield					

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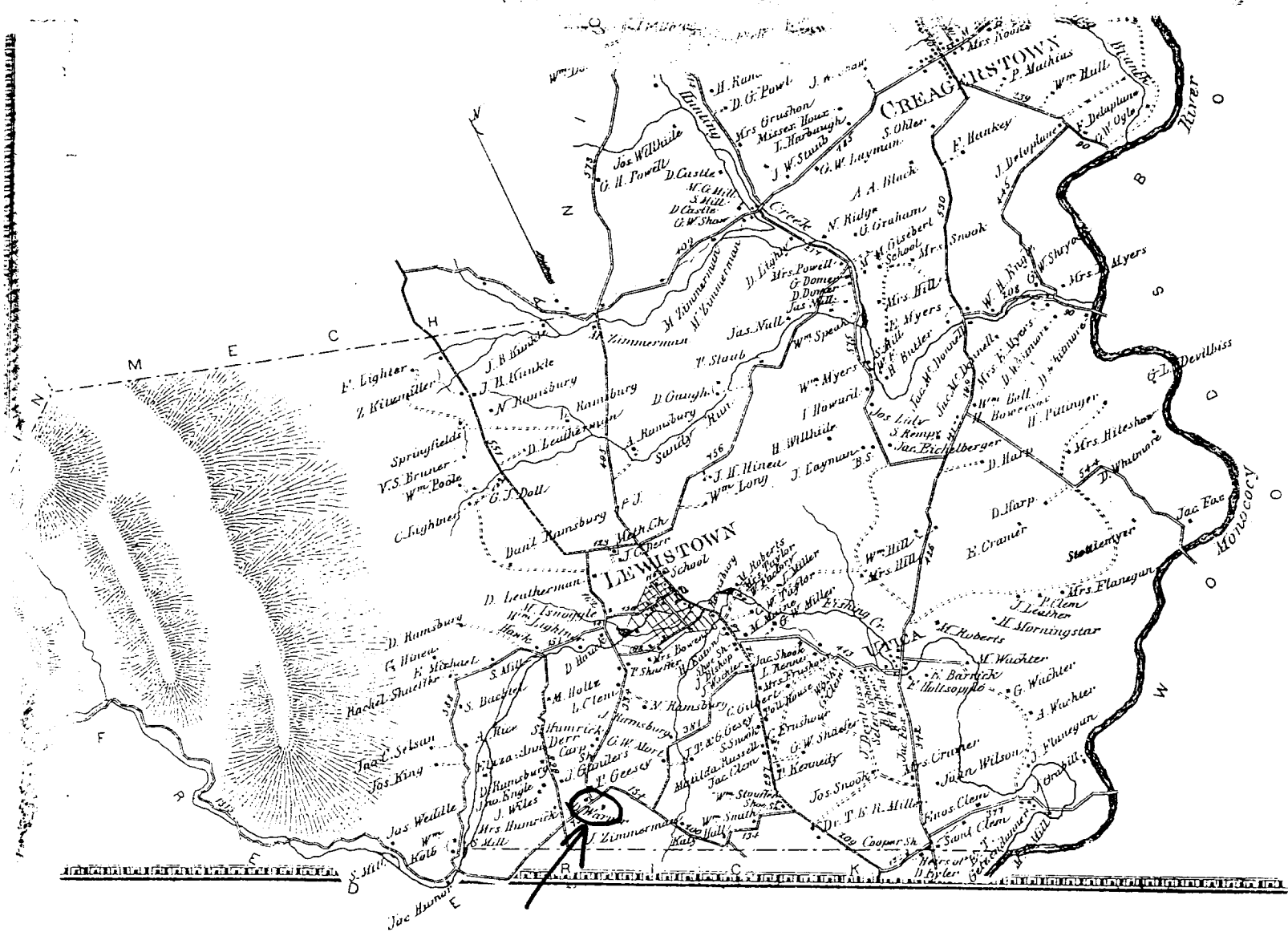


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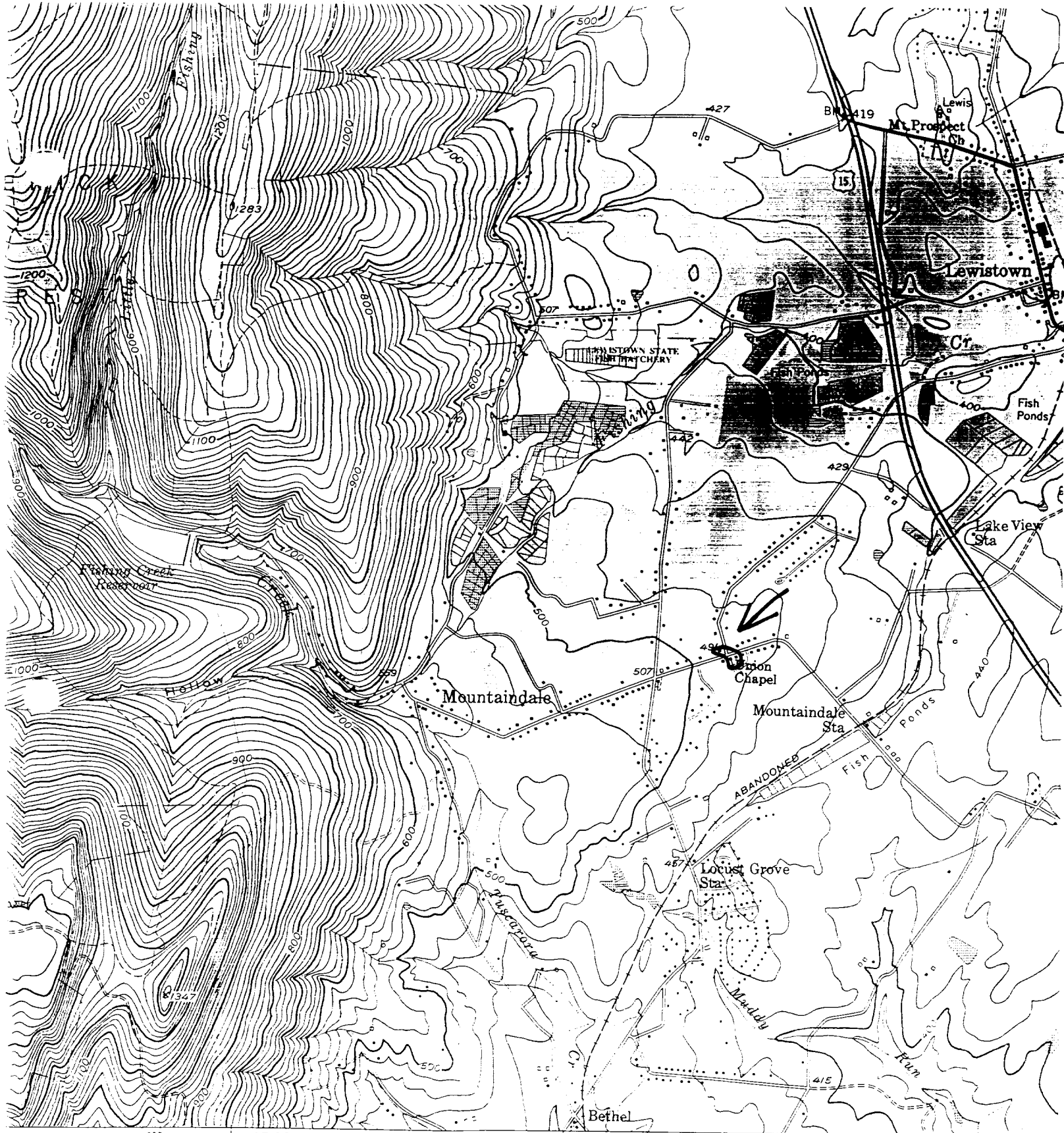
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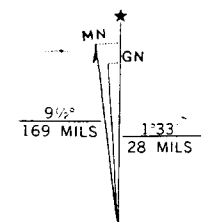


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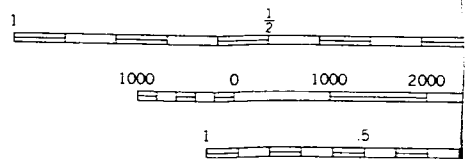
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View west on Mountaindale Road

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6805 Mountairdale Rd. + Union Chapel, northeast
corner view

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Union Chapel and 6727 Mountaindale Rd.,
northeast corner view

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Mountaindale Store, southeast corner view

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